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Howard Moore, Jr., on NPR's "Buried Truths" Podcast

NPR's "Buried Truths" podcast investigates still-relevant stories of injustice, resilience and racism in the American South. The podcast's Season 2 focuses on A.C. Hall, a Black teenager mistakenly identified as stealing a gun in Macon, Georgia, in 1962. What unfolds is a story of police privilege, racial conditioning and community activism.

2015 EJS Annual Gala award honoree Howard Moore, Jr. is profiled in Episode 3 of the podcast: "A rookie black lawyer (Moore), who's never examined a witness, who doesn't even know what a coroner's inquest is, gets his chance in a Macon, Georgia, courtroom against a legendary segregationist lawyer and politician. Can this possibly go well? Listen to the actual testimony — and that rookie's reflections, in that same courtroom, 56 years later."

Listen to the podcast (March 3, 2019) here.

Implicit Bias Bills Package in California Legislature Advances to Senate and Assembly Floor Vote

A package of implicit bias bills by Assemblymember Sydney Kamlager-Dove continue to advance in the California Legislature. AB241 and AB242 crossed over to the Senate, and AB243 is pending an Assembly floor vote. The three bills make implicit bias training and testing mandatory for all law enforcement officers (AB 243), medical professionals (AB 241), judges and court personnel in the state (AB 242). Learn more about these bills.

New York State Legislature Passes Bill Enabling Congress Access to Trump's State Tax Returns

News coverage at The New York Times, Politico

Earlier this month, the Equal Justice Society joined Stand Up America, Free Speech for People and a coalition of local and national organizations to urge New York state lawmakers to pass the TRUST Act, legislation that gives House Ways and Means Committee Chairman Richard Neal the authority to request Trump's state tax information from New York State.

The coalition’s efforts included more than 3,300 constituent calls to lawmakers, digital ads, and lobbying efforts in Albany, including a letter sent to Assembly Speaker Carl Heastie to urging its passage.

The New York State Assembly on May 21 passed the TRUST Act and the measure now awaits the governor's signature.

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